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A Petition to make Special Under37 CFR 102(c) has been granted in this Application and has been granted in parent application 09/130,905, filed 08/07/98.

Amendment Under 37 CFR 111, Response To Paper No. 5, Mailed August 21, 2000

Notice of objections to drawings in noted. Formal drawings shall be provided upon notice of allowance.

In the Claims, Examiner's renumbering of Claims 78-92 as 1-15 is noted. Amend Claims 1 -15, and add new claims 16-32, as follows.



Claim 1 (Amended). A bowler's finger pad shield for protecting a bowler's finger pad proximate an end of a bowler's finger from the force of a bowling ball against the finger pad of said bowler's finger, when a bowler's maximum force is applied by the finger pad to the bowling ball in the release of the bowling ball, comprising: